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CHURCH NOTICES.

EPISCOPAL SERVICES—Episcopal services will be held in the San Luis school house the first Sunday of each month at 11 o'clock a. m. W. L. Clark. Rector.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH—Rev. Sidney R. Yarrow, Pastor. Services: Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday School at 10 a. m. Y. P. S. C. E. service at 6:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesdays at 2:30 p. m. Junior Endeavor meeting Fridays at 3:15 p. m. Ladies' Aid Society and Missionary Society meet the second Tuesday of each month.

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CATHOLIC CHURCH—On Sunday, May 12th, mass will be celebrated in St. Francis Church at 8:30 a. m. and on the same day at Glen Ellen at 10:30 a. m. On Sunday, May 19th, mass will be said at Glen Ellen at 8:30 a. m. and in St. Francis Church at 10:30 a. m. In this way mass will be celebrated alternately in both places until further notice. Rev. J. Leahy, Rector

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An Insect Tragedy.

There is something really pathetic in the way a mother butterfly builds a nest for her children. In the first place, the little home where the eggs are deposited represents a great deal of sacrifice, for it is lined with several layers of down plucked from the mother's own soft body. The eggs having been laid carefully upon this luxurious, pretty couch are protected by an equally pretty coverlet made of the same material.

These butterfly bedclothes are often arranged with an intricacy that is quite curious and perplexing. Sometimes a bed is made so that each separate delicate hair stands upright, thus giving the entire nest the appearance of a little brush of downy fur. Then again, the eggs are laid spirally round a tiny branch, and, as the covering follows their course, the effect resembles the busy tail of a fox, only the nest is more beautiful than the "brush" of the finest fox that ever roamed over country.

The building of this downy nest is the latest earthly labor of the mother butterfly, for by the time it is completed her own delicate body is denuded of its natural covering, and there is nothing left for her to do but die, a sacrifice which she promptly and heroically makes in the interest of the coming butterfly generation.

He Got Off.

The wife of a German farmhand in Ohio was taken sick and finally died, the husband, of course, leaving his work for several days in consequence. Two weeks later he appeared at the house of his employer and asked to be relieved from work for a couple of days, when the following conversation took place:

"I vould like to get off for apout two tays."

"I can't spare you unless it is absolutely necessary. You know you lost several days two weeks ago, and we are behind in the work. What is the necessity for your getting off?" inquired the farmer.

"Vell, I vas to be married."

"Why, Fritz, your wife died only two weeks ago, and now you are about to get married again? I do not understand that."

"Vell," replied the German, "I don't hold spite long."

The farmer dismissed the case without prejudice.

The transposition of letters in the same word sometimes produces the most ludicrous results. In "The Still Hour," which was written by Professor Phelps, is the fine line, "The stillness of the hour is the stillness of a dead calm at sea." A large number was printed and disposed of before it was discovered that "clam" had been printed for "calm."

POLLY LARKIN

The members of the Police Commission will make a record for themselves if they only carry out their present good intentions. They have refused to grant licenses for saloons in the vicinity of the Presidio, and those now in full sway, throwing out temptations galore to the soldier boys, will have to close. The saloon-keepers will make a hard struggle to carry on their dangerous business, for they are coining money from the soldiers. Some of the boys in blue have entered these places with the full intention of taking just one drink and then proceeding on their way to purchase their tickets for their Eastern homes. Their good intentions came to naught, for that one drink, "doped" in all probability, had driven all idea of home and friends from their minds. They went from one den to another, providing the saloon-keeper in the first place did not get all the money they had. When they came to their senses every dime they possessed was gone, and the chances are that many of these stranded boys would never see home and friends again. Many felt disgraced and would not let the people in the old home know that they were penniless and how they had lost their funds. They had not made the money half so easily as the saloon-keepers made it off them. Some of these stranded soldiers managed to find work, others resorted to crime, waylaying some pedestrian and appropriating all the money he had, possibly reasoning that he had been robbed in the city of all he had, and no protest was made, and why shouldn't he do the same? To his mind both thefts were of the same color and one was as justifiable as the other, and more than one penniless soldier committed suicide. Many a lad can date his learning to drink to the time he landed on "Frisco's" shores. Previous to that time they did not know the taste of liquor. Many a mother will be heartbroken when her boy comes home to her with the appetite for liquor firmly fixed upon him. This is no child's play, and the Police Commissioners are not moving any too soon. One of the Commissioners stated that he would oppose the granting of licenses until such time as the volunteer soldiers, now so numerous at the Presidio, were all mustered out and removed from the scene of temptation.

The majority of the soldiers, both waiting for transportation to the Philippines and to be mustered out, are only mere boys in appearance. But few of them look as though they had reached the voting age, and none of those going out on the transports realize for a moment what they are going into. Possibly it is just as well that they don't, for if they took into account the looks of the boys who are just returning from the Philippines their courage might fail them. Pale, sickly-looking boys, and many of them cripples, who appear daily on the street; but the latter might have enthused some hero-worshippers among the new recruits, for wounds to them would be "glory scars." Those who were not hero-worshippers, however, would turn faint if they went into the Presidio hospitals and saw the living, suffering skeletons of those who but a short time ago were strong, healthy boys. Then let them glance in the direction of the hospital "morgue." There floats the stars and stripes mournfully at halfmast and within the building lie hundreds of coffins waiting to be identified, and if no one claims them in a certain length of time they are buried in the Presidio cemetery, which has had to be enlarged for the army of the silent majority. These are the boys who have come home to die in the hospitals, or else have been among the many silent passengers on the dead transports. Soon the last narrow home in the Presidio cemetery will receive them, "taps" will sound and the story of a short life will be ended. The boys march to the transports so buoyant, so happy, with never a foreboding or shadow of doubt as to whether they will come back all right. It is a pitiful sight to those who have seen the return of so many companies since the beginning of the war. It is not so bad, however, as it was at first, although it is still bad enough.

All honor to Kansas, for it has passed a new statute providing that no wife, widow or child of a soldier shall be sent to the poorhouse, and it is made the duty of the County Poor Commissioner to supply the necessaries of life and a house for any such who may be in need. Every State in the nation should adopt this law. It is a good and a humane one as well. It would relieve many a heartache if this were only the case, and make the soldier feel that his sacrifice had not been in vain.

I saw a queer looking character in one of our country towns lately. He traveled all over the country selling vegetables from a little wagon of which he was the proud possessor. "Everything in its season," he was wont to say. "All kinds of vegetables, from parsley, peas and radishes, up to watermilyons, potatoes, bananas and oranges. If it's in the market you'll find it in my wagon and at prices to suit the poor and the rich. See those turnips. Just as fresh as a daisy, and naturally turned-up of their own accord. See those potatoes, plain and sweet, both kinds. See that cauliflower—now ain't she a beauty? Any lady in the land ought to be proud to get her. She's fair and sweet as any flower in this region," and so on as he displayed each article. It was Hobson's choice, and the housewives had to patronize him and take all his nonsense. But his manner of dress was so grotesque as to put them in good humor. And this was only one of his many eccentricities. He was a tall, rawboned, angular sort of a fellow, wore a dark blue flannel shirt, brown overalls, a gray or mottled vest with a flour-sack back, and to make the whole attire more striking wore a tall and thoroughly out-of-date silk hat that looked ancient enough to have done service in George Washington's time, and which was so large for his head that it nearly fell over his ears. A quainter looking object would be hard to find. Rain or shine he was always so attired, and he attracted the attention of everyone on the road, and no matter how morose and gloomy they might appear, there was always a smile on their faces, and for the time being pleasanter thoughts for having passed this peculiar old vegetable vender.

Do you know we miss much of the pleasure in life by insisting on living in and going over and over the past that has gone and cannot be resurrected or made any better by constantly going over its musty pages? In justice to our friends and to ourselves, we should forget the past and live for the present and the future. Regret is like the constant moaning of the wind, it is mournful and tiresome and it does not serve to bring you new friends or hold the old ones. Well, what are you going to do about it if your whole past life is one long season of regret? you ask. Bury it, and bury it deep, my friend, never to be resurrected in this world. Let a new song fill your heart, joyful and hopeful, instead of the worn out dirge.

BRIEF REVIEW.

Siberia's Great River.

The Amur is one of the few greatest rivers in the world. In length it is equaled by no river in Europe, and surpassed only by the Yang-tse and Yinisel in Asia, by the Nile and Congo in Africa and by the Amazon and Makenzie in America, though if we reckon the Mississippi and Missouri as one river, it is longer than any of them except the Nile. Its water is somewhat muddy at Vladivostok, but nothing like the consistency of the Mississippi at St. Louis. It cannot be said to be "both food and drink." As one ascends its swift current it constantly grows clearer, until, a thousand miles farther up, it is about the color of white wine, and is sweet and wholesome to the taste.

The Real Cause.

The real causes of America's success may be summed up in the words—a tariff, securing the home market and enabling foreign countries to be used as a dumping ground for American surplus productions, and great alertness of mind. Americans have the insight to scrap their machinery when it goes out of date, and to use every labor-saving contrivance. The trade unions do not limit output and frown on the machine tool. But with us, methods, machinery and organization, which are so conservative that they are ten years behind the times—a fact which England is slowly discovering.

The King and His Dog Tax.

Ancient Greek law is to the effect that every owner of a dog shall pay a yearly tax of 12 drachmas. Those who do not pay in time are condemned by the new law to pay double the tax. King George sent recently to the police in order to regisier his four dogs and to pay their taxes. But the official found that his majesty owed for the taxes a sum of 48 drachmas, and had been fined another 48 drachmas for having delayed payment. His majesty has paid 96 dracemas for his dogs.

The Banana Trade.

The United States is now patronizing the banana plantations of the West Indies and of Central America to the sum of about $8,000,000 a year. This is the exporting, not the retail value. The island of Jamaica alone is sending to this country over 4,000,000 bunches a year. This is the exporting, not the retail value, which means $1,500,000 to the producers and shippers of the colony.

It is shown that more than 1,250,000 miles of Canadion territory is yet unexplored. This includes the inhospitable detached Artic portions, but aside from these fully 954,000 square miles are, for all practical purposes, entirely unknown. The easterly area contains the greatest extent of unexplored territory. It comprises almost the entire interior of the Labrador peninsula.

Every royal palace in Europe has its special private police, who, in one guise or another, are always on the lookout for suspicious persons.

CURRENT NEWS

CALIFORNIA.

BUTTE.

James Wheelock, who has been on trial at Oroville, charged with murdering Mrs. Emily Martin of Coutclence on March 3d, was found guilty of murder in the first degree, with no recommendation for mercy.

CONTRA COSTA.

W. C. Larrison, a section gang foreman, was killed at Port Costa by being run down by passenger train 36 in the Port Costa yards.

COLUSA.

Arrangements have been made to remodel the old opera-house at Colusa. The shareholders have agreed to levy $5 a share on the capital stock. A contractor has been engaged and is at work on plans and specifications, and within a month the old buildings will be in the hands of the workmen. Besides remodeling the building and putting in new opera chairs, the directors intend to install much new scenery, and make the opera-house in every way a first-class, modern playhouse.

FRESNO.

Franz Brauer, a German 65 years old, residing in Fresno, fired a bullet into his head with fatal results. He left some characteristic verses expressive of his intention. Want of employment was the trouble.

KERN.

The Standard Oil Company is said to have ordered ten more tanks to be erected in the Kern River field, which will give them fifteen tanks in that district and a storage capacity of 555,000 barrels.

The postoffice at Kern City was entered by burglars and the safe rolled to the rear entrance, placed on a truck and hauled a distance of three blocks, near the Santa Fe tracks and blown open with dynamite. The contents consisted of $700 worth of stamps and about $300 in cash. The burglars overlooked $500 in stamps of other denominations.

LOS ANGELES.

Mrs. A. G. Hough of Los Angeles has recently given to the Methodist Missionary Society $20,000 and to the Church Extension (or building) Society $13,000.

Rev. O. Wilkie, pastor of the German Methodist Church on Olive street, Los Angeles, startled the ministers' meeting by stating that they had a large house for a hospital and $6000 to run it, and were waiting for deaconesses to start the work.

The organization of the Los Angeles Oil Producers' Association has been completed. W. H. Allen Jr. was elected president and A. W. Morgan secretary. This election is with the understanding that there will be another as soon as all the producers have had an opportunity to decide whether they wish to enter the organization. The membership of the association at present includes 265 wells in the Los Angeles field, and it is proposed that the association will proceed to handle the oil of the members whether others join or not, though there is every reason to believe that at least 600 out of the 800 wells from which oil is marketed will be brought into the organization at an early date.

MARIN.

Oscar Smith, a well known citizen of Bolinas, was held up at the point of a revolver and robbed by an unknown man near Pastori's resort at Fairfax. The deed was committed in broad daylight, and the robber, after securing $13, all of his victim's cash, succeeded in making his escape.

MERCED.

Robert McFarlane, convicted of manslaughter in killing J. H. Tucker in the tenderloin district of Merced February 1st, was sentenced to eight years in San Quentin by Judge Dooling of San Benito county, who presided at the trial.

MONTEREY.

An attempt to wreck a train near Pacific Grove was discovered abour ten minutes before the arrival of the mixed train from Salinas and the obstruction was removed in time to prevent a disaster. Professor John Ivey was walking along the track near Chinatown and noticed what he took to be a large paper bag on the track. He kicked the paper and discovered that it contained a heavy stone securely wedged in the frog of the switch in such a manner that if the train had struck it the wheels would undoubtedly have left the rails.

ORANGE.

The two-year-old child of Mrs. Hattie Hayworth of Garden Grove was run over by a mowing machine and terribly cut. She had lain down on a patch of barley and went to sleep. The grain was so thick that the man driving the machine did not see the child until she was struck with the machine. The keen edge of the sickle cut her terribly about the face and body and one of the sickle guards pierced her thigh. The child will probably live.

PLACER.

A new ten-stamp mill is being erected for the Washington Gold Quartz mine. The tunnel is in on the ledge 1000 feet and it will give 260 feet of backs. It is intended to sink on the ledge at a point 800 feet in on the main tunnel. The ledge of the Shady Run quartz mine is reported to be from twenty to thirty feet in width and rich in gold.

RIVERSIDE.

The Riverside Congregational Church has paid its debt of $2500. Nine hundred dollars was also raised for benevolences and $3500 for home expenses, making a total during the year of $6900.

SAN FRANCISCO.

The Odd Fellows' Grand Lodge of California which has been in session in San Francisco, has accepted a site for its new home. The resolution provides that the lodges of Santa Clara county be given until September 1, 1901, to tender the White ranch, at the entrance to Alum Rock Park, near San Jose, to the Grand Lodge for a site for a new home, free of cost and all incumbrances, the grand master to be authorized to accept the gift on behalf of the Grand Lodge; and that the Grand Lodge agree in that event to commence the erection of the new Odd Fellows' Home on or before September 1, 1902.

SAN LUIS OBISPO.

Little Mary, aged about 8 years, a daughter of Jose Bettencourt, was spending the day at the Beis residence, near Cayucos. When the family went out to do the afternoon milking she was left alone in the house with playthings. Having need of another milk pail, a boy went into the house and found Mary lying on the floor in a pool of blood, dead. The family was summoned, and on investigation found a bullet wound over the right eye and another in the back of the head. By her side was a 22-caliber rifle with an empty shell in the barrel. It is supposed that on being left alone she found the loaded rifle behind the door, and while playing with it discharged the weapon, the bullet passing entirely through her head and lodging in the wall, where it was afterward found.

SAN JOAQUIN.

A firebug is at work at Lodi. At an early hour in the morning a fire of incendiary origin totally destroyed the carriage and blacksmith shop of I. J. Hill. Only prompt action by the fire department saved the whole block from destruction. During the fire an odor of coaloil was noticeable about the burning building. This is the second time an attempt has been made to burn out the corner on which Hill is located. The loss is $700, with an insurance of $150.

SHASTA.

The smelting plant of the Mountain Copper Company of Keswick is to be operated wholly by electrical power in the near future. It will require about 1500 horse-power.

A well developed case of smallpox has been discovered at Anderson, south of Redding. The victim is ex-Senator Frank H. Sprague, who lives in Happy Valley, west of Anderson, and has been sick for several days in town, but the nature of the disease was not realized. He was immediately moved to a pest-house.

SAN DIEGO.

Rouque Hermandez, a Mexican, was found guilty by a jury in the Superior Court of San Diego of murder in the first degree. The jury recommended that the murderer be sentenced to life imprisonment.

A well-dressed man shot himself near the heart at Mission Cliff, near San Diego. The physicians think that he cannot recover. From the little that can be learned of him, his name is R. Settle and he came from San Francisco a few days ago. He said he was tired of life. In a pocket was a letter which he directed should be opened after he was dead. It has not been opened.

SOLANO.

The executive committee of the Sacramento Valley Development Association which has been in session at Vacaville, owing to the hesitancy of the Supervisors of some of the counties to support the plan of appropriating on a pro rata basis of the assesed valuation of each county, there was considerable interest taken in the meeting. The matter was thoroughly investigated, and a resolution was unanimously adopted stating that in view of the facts a majority of the counties approved the plan that the association be continued another year.

SANTA BARBARA.

The election to vote $60,000 forty-year bonds for the extention of the Santa Barbara city water mains and pipes, and the establishment of another reservoir and site for the same, resulted in a victory for the bonds on May 9th.

SANTA CLARA.

A two-story dwelling at College Park was burned together with its contents. It was owned by John Angis and was occupied by Mrs. George B. Wilson as a students' boarding-house. All were absent at an entertainment, and the origin of the fire is not known. The loss is about $3000 and the insurance unknown.

Professor John J. Halsey, dean of the faculty of the Lake Forest University of Illinois, widely known as a teacher of economics and political science, has accepted a call to the chair of these sciences at Stanford University. He will, however, have charge of both departments for a short time only, it being proposed to separate and divide them in the near future.

TULARE.

An explosion of acetylene gas in the home of Harry Brown at Lemon Grove, partially wrecked the house. Mrs. J. F. Avernell's dress caught fire and she narrowly escaped being burned to death. Both of Brown's hands were badly burned.

TUOLUMNE.

Machinery is being placed on the old Anderson mine, near Algerine, Tuolumne county.

Theodore Dangatti and J. A. McLaughlin were instantly killed at the Golden Gate mine at Sonora by the premature explosion of a blast.

PACIFIC COAST.

ALASKA.

Assistant Surgeon Moore of the Marine Hospital Service has been ordered to Nome with a liberal supply of vaccine virus on account of the reports of smallpox from Alaska, and Assistant Surgeon Fox has been directed to go to Sitka for the purpose of a general consultation upon the subject with the Governor of the Territory. The epidemic is confined largely to the natives.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

An entire freight train of fourteen cars, with a Mogul locomotive, ran on to a snowslide on the Crow's Nest Pass Railway, near Sparwood station, and rolled down the embankment into the Fernie river. Fireman Harry Barnes was killed.

OREGON.

The deed for the great Bonanza mine deal, which was recently purchased by the Consolidated Bonanza Gold Mining Company of Philadelphia, composed of Standard Oil magnates, was filed for record in Baker City. The deed discloses the fact that the price paid was $500,000 cash. The present owners value the property to-day at $3,000,000.

WASHINGTON.

A big lumber deal has been consummated, by which C. F. White of Cosmopolis transfers land in the vicinity of Elma for $100,000, Congressman J. W. Fordney of Michigan is the buyer.

UNITED STATES.

The biggest plant of the International Manufacturing Company, makers of terra cotta, at Perth Amboy, N. J., has been destroyed by fire; loss $175,000.

Mrs. Lyman J. Gage, wife of the Secretary of the Treasury, died at her residence in Washington, May 17th, after an illness of nine weeks' duration following an attack of grip.

The American Smelting and Refining Company has filed a certificate with the Secretary of State of Colorado, increasing its capital stock from $65,000,000 to $100,000,000. The fee for filing the papers was $10,500.

In the last act of Frank E. Fransworth's company in the opera house at Woonsocket, R. I., Thomas Bolton of Fitchburg, Mass., a hypnotic "subject" traveling with that company, had his life crushed out by a 600-pound stone which fell on his head.

The banking firm of Blair & Co. of New York and the Illinois Trust and Savings Bank of Chicago have underwritten an issue of $10,000,000 of 5 per cent convertible debenture bonds, the proceeds of which will be used in building additional plants at Pueblo, Colo.

A mirage that brought into view at the same time the cities of Chicago and St. Joseph, Mich., was the remarkable sight witnessed by passengers on a steamer in the middle of Lake Michigan, about thirty miles from Chicago and the same distance from St. Joseph.

Edwin F. Uhl, former Assistant Secretary of State and Embassador to Germany under the Cleveland Administration, died at Grand Rapids, Mich., on the 17th inst. He had been ill nearly a year, suffering from a complication of diseases, among them Bright's disease.

Water has been turned into the Imperial canal from the west side of the Colorado river, some distance below Yuma. The canal has a carrying capacity to irrigate 25,000 acres of land, and the water will be used to irrigate a large acreage of land adjoining the colony town of Imperial.

Mystery shrouds the death of Rev. Edward S. Phillips, a priest of Hazelton, Pa., whose body was found in a Ninth-avenue lodging house at New York. The cause of death was not revealed even by the autopsy, no signs of violence being found and the condition of the organs such that he may have died a natural death.

Major J. S. Penn, proprietor of the Daily Times, mortally wounded W. R. Pace, vice-president of the Texas Real Estate Association, at Laredo, Texas, during a fit of recurring insanity, and then killed himself. Deceased was a brother-in-law of the late Governor Ireland of Texas and was well known throughout the West.

The total contributions received by the relief association of Jacksonville, Fla., are $113,900. The number of people being fed daily is about 3000. An appeal has been sent to Mayors of cities in the United States having a population of 10,000 or over. The total force engaged in cleaning the streets is 525, and good progress is being made.

The South Bisbee Copper Mining and Townsite Improvement Company has given a bond on all its copper properties near Bisbee, A. T., to a Glasgow syndicate, the price named for the purchase being $2,225,000 and the bond to run until September 1st next. The property comprises forty-seven patented claims in one group, covering about 661 acres.

The celebrated Itata case, involving a claim of $320,000 against the Government of the United States, is about to be determined by the Chilean Claims Commission. The sailing of the Itata from California with a cargo of arms and ammunition for Chile and her subsequent surrender to the United States cruiser Charleston constituted one of the most stirring events of the Chilean trouble of 1891.

The largest cyanide plant in the world is that of the Homestake at Lead, S. D. It has a capacity of 1200 tons of ore per day. The mill possesses 600 stamps, which is a larger complement than that of the Treadwell mine, in Alaska. Twenty-three years ago the mine was started with a mill of fifty stamps. The ore body is said to be practically inexhaustible. The property is owned by Californians.

The suit of Giddings, Lennox and others against Sam Strong for $100,000 damages has been decided in favor of the defendant. The plaintiffs alleged that Strong caused the destruction of the shafthouse at the Strong mine in Cripple Creek, Colo., during the miners' strike in 1894, his object being to induce them to surrender a bond which they held on the property, as he had ascertained that the mine was worth much more than the price at which he had agreed to sell.

FOREIGN.

The Shah of Persia is dying of kidney disease.

Typewriters are prohibited from entry into Turkey.

India is on the verge of another famine. The failure of the spring crops are severely felt.

It is announced that 5000 dozens of old bottled sherry purchased by Queen Victoria prior to 1890 will be sold at auction at the end of June.

The rabbit pest in Australia is worse this year than ever, infesting by thousands districts where they have not hitherto been troublesome.

The bicycle races in Paris for the world's championship between Taylor, the Afro-American rider, and Jacquelin, the French cyclist, were easily won by the latter.

To handle the large supply of wheat the millers of New South Wales are forming a combine and will maintain expert commercial agents in London and elsewhere.

The Dominion Government has decided to give a bonus of $5 per ton on Canadian refined lead, not exceeding $100,000 in any one year. The bonus will be available in the same way as the iron bounties.

The national debt of France has grown from 714,000,000 francs in 1800—the time of the first republic—to 30,500,000,000 francs in 1900, the thirtieth year in the third republic. The annual interest on the public debt amounts to over $249,000,000.

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The Cannery

Many reports and conjectures have been current during the past week regarding the cannery proposition, and enquiries regarding the present status of the matter are daily being made at this office. To these enquirers we are unable to give satisfactory information—in fact, there is no satisfactory information to be had. Mr. Rose, on behalf of the Rose Canning Co mp ny, made definite ag e me it with the Board of Trade Committee, in which it was stipulated that the people of Sonoma were to furnish a building at an approximate cost of one thousand dollars, in return for which the company was to com mence operation by not later than July 1st. The editor of the EXPOSITOR was present when the agreement was made, and we are not willing to believe that Mr. Rose will repudiate his contract. It is true that the contract was not in writing—the nature of the case was such as to forbid this—but it was positive never-the-less, and was not subject to qualification nor retractions. It would seem to us that there is no longer occasion for quibbling. If the canning company is ready to go ahead and do business, then let the people of the town and valley hasten to make the necessary arrangements. If the cannery people can do better elsewhere let them go. The people are willing to do every thing possible to procure the industry for the Sonoma Valley, but they are not willing to be used as a leverage for raising the bid in another town.

An unprecedented move has been inaugurated by the Bank of France. It is compelling all patrons to take 20 per cent of the money paid them in gold. This is consoling to any who may have thought that the gold standard was shaky.

The rioters in Barcelona, Spain, furnished an excellent excuse for the bloody Weyler, former captain-general of Cuba, to keep up his reputation. He is now the Spanish minister of war, and promptly ordered the Barcelona kickers shot down without mercy.

Mrs. Virginia C. Meredith, preceptress of the school of agriculture in the University of Minnesota, has been telling the people of Boston how to make girls contented with farm life. Nothing was said about engaging handsome young college graduates as hired men.

"Debts amounting to $747,008,-34, with no assets," is the statement accompanying the application of Charles Foster, a bankrupt. The gentleman was formerly secretary of the treasury of the United States, and thus entitled to the prefix "Hon." to his name. Whether the latter item was considered in the amount of assets is not stated, but, judging from the disparity between liabilities and assets, it was possibly accounted of no value. The good old-fashioned ideas of honesty inculcated by parents of many men not yet past middle life, if heeded, would insure any man from the necessity of making such a lamentable financial exhibit.

The salary of President McKinley is $50,000 per year, and is generally considered ample by American citizens. But he is not in it with President Loubet of France, who is paid $300,000 per year, besides having all the entertainments he gives paid from the public purse. Yet France has only about half the population of the United States. Perhaps, surrounded as it is by European m narchical courts, with a similar one of its own in the recent past, it is too much to expect spectacular-loving Frenchmen to get right down to republican simplicity.

ON THE NEEDS OF THE HIGH SCHOOL

Prof. W. A. Merrill of the latin department State University, now spending a week's vacation at the summer home of Prof. Wilkinson, was interviewed one day this week for the purpose of gaining his ideas regarding the needs of the local High School. Prof. Merrill entertained very positive opinions on the matter and expressed them in an explicit and instructive manner. He stated that he regarded the High School, if kept in good condition, as one of the most potent agencies for the upbuilding of the community, and deplored the state of affairs now existent in that institution.

The people of the valley, he said, did not sufficiently estimate the importance of their High School. Aside from its educational value such an institution is worth much to a community when viewed purely from a commercial standpoint. The efforts of the local Board of Trade to induce desirable people to come and settle in Sonoma will much more likely meet with success if we can refer to our High School, and other institutions of like nature, as being in a flourishing condition.

To put the High School on the level it is justly entitled to occupy, he thought that something must be done at once to create a disposition on the part of parents to send their sons and daughters to school, and to awaken a keener interest in the children themselves This he thought could be effected by the principal of the High School following a regular system of visiting all the grammar schools of the Union district.

Prof. Merrill said that our school always occupied a high place of credit with the University faculty. He spoke in strongest terms of Prof. Weed's efficiency, and expressed confidence that the principal could, if given the opportunity of visiting the surrounding schools, soon awaken such an interest in the High School that the attendance would be doubled.

A Pioneer Woman Gone

Mrs. Camille S. Aguillon passed to her final reward on Saturday afternoon after a lingering illness. She had a stroke of appoplexy about three years ago and has never recovered from the effects of it.

Mrs. Aguillon has lived in Sonoma for thirty-six years. At the time of her death she was sixty-five years old. During her long residence in Sonoma she gained and retained the respect of all who knew her.

The interment took place on Monday morning when the remains were lain to rest in the family burial plot in the Mountain Cemetery. Father Leahy, by special permit from Archbishop Riordan, conducted the services at the grave.

Petaluma Events

There are hopes for the erection of another new business block on Main street. P. Sweed is negotiating for the purchase of a sixty-foot lot adjoining the Wickersham Bank, and owned by the Wickersham estate. If the deal is made Mr. Sweed will erect a handsome block on the premises with business stores below and offices and hall on the second floor.

J. T. Studdert has received his credentials for the position of district deputy grand president of the Native Sons for the district of Sonoma county.

Oil is being used for fuel with great success at the silk mills.

Practical Education

In the woodshed connected with the Summit Joint district school in this county there is a cooking apparatus etc., which is used when refreshments are prepared for entertainments and socials. The stove is also put to another use along the line of practical education. Some of the girl pupils and a few of the boys likewise are taking cooking lessons.—Press Democrat.

Shellville Sayings

Mr. W. B. Walkup was the guest of Hon. Robt. Howe on Sunday.

Mrs. A. Dreese, of Petaluma, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Lawler.

Ten or twelve Japs came up from the City on Thursday to work on the beet farm.

The little daughter of Capt. Hauto is critically ill, and small hopes are entertained for her recovery.

Robt. Waugaman, of San Francisco, came up to attend the party given by his cousin, Miss Evelyn Waugaman at Eden Dale.

Miss Mattie Goodman took this morning's train for San Francisco, where she will attend the funeral of Mrs. Thiesen.

Misses E. and M. Lindberg, Mrs. Bessie Ridill and Mr. R. J. Sims came from San Francisco on Saturday to attend the school picnic at Locust Grove.

Mrs. W. B. Walkup, Miss Lydia Walkup and Master Herbert Walkup, of San Francisco are visiting relatives at Eden Dale. Mrs. Walkup expects to receive great benefit for her rheumatism from our glorious climate and the use of the hot sulphur baths at Capt. Boye's springs.

Mr. Robert Howe barely escaped a serious accident last Saturday. His horse became frightened when near the post-office and dashed over the railway embankment, turning a complete somersault and mixing things up generally. John Lawler hastened to the rescue and the horse was finally extricated from its entanglements with no other damage than a couple of broken cart shafts. Mr. Howe was fortunate to escape without injury.

ELDRIDGE HOME

Affairs of That Institution in Somewhat Unsettled State

During the past few days a great many absurd stories have been rife anent the Eldridge Home and the affairs of that institution. Rumor has had it that all sorts of revolutionary changes were about to take place there, and it has even been reported that Dr. Osborne had resigned his position as superintendent. The absurdity of their stories is obvious, for nothing can be done in such matters until the official session of the Board of Directors, which body is to convene at the Home tomorrow afternoon. At this meeting it is said that only two matters of importance is likely to come up—the election of a president and a secretary of the Board.

The appointments made by Gov. Gage last March has given the Board a somewhat political coloring, and it has been feared that this element might work toward the disposition of Dr. Osborne. It is not, however, thought likely that any change will or can take place.

The Board of Directors at present is made up of the following gentlemen: Robt. Poppe, of Sonoma; John T. Harrington, of Colusa; Dr. Wm. M. Lawler, of San Francisco; John D. McKinzey, of San Jose.

Fruit and Fish

Mr. J. G. Platt, of Napa, has commenced running his wagon through the Sonoma Valley, and the wagon in question is every week laden with the finest fruits, and fish fresh from the water. He comes to Sonoma on Thursdays and Fridays, and his coming is a great convenience to those who live a little way from town, or whose time is so occupied that they cannot frequently get to market. He brings right to your door the choicest line of fruits and berries and fish kept cool by being packed on ice. His prices are right. Try him.

Episcopal Church at Shellville

Services of the Episcopal Church will be held in the San Luis school-house on Sunday June 2 at 11 o'clock a. m. Everybody invited.

REV. W. L. CLARK, Rector.

BIG TIME ASSURED

Fun For the Railroad Boys and Their Friends

Huge Cake For Cakewalkers—Baseball Game, Races and Dancing at the Annual Picnic

Anyone who imagines for a moment that the fifth annual pic nic of the employes of the C. N. W. Railway, which will take place in Glen Ellen park on Thursday, June 6, will be a red letter day for all who participate, will be allowed "another guess." Plans are being made to make the picnic this year the best yet given, and, judging from the pretentious program mapped out, it will undoubtedly be so.

One of the features will be a baseball game between the Tiburon shop employes and the Clerk's nine of Santa Rosa. The probable teams will be composed as follows: Railway employes—H. Lawton, William McDonald, Ed Creighton, B. Murphey, E. Dougherty, J. Amaral, J. Brassill, W. Aubrey, C. Beggs. Clerks—Cully, McCord, Carlton, McGraw, Barnett, Constantine, Early, Calhoun, Cornett.

Santa Rosa cakewalkers had better get busy. Mrs. Dr. A. E. Osborne of the Glen Ellen Home will present a mammoth cake to the best cakewalker on picnic day. The cake will measure four feet across.

A limited number of tickets will be sold at the local depot for the picnic and a general invitation is extended to all friends of the railroad employes. The fare will be one dollar for the round trip, for outsiders, and children under twelve may travel half fare. Samuel's band of San Francisco and the St. Vincent's orphan asylum band will be in attendance. There will be all kinds of races for old and young and elegant prizes will be competed for. There will be open air band concerts and dancing in the pavilion.—Press Democrat.

An Enjoyable Party at Eden Dale

The residence of Hon. Robt. Howe, was a scene of beauty and merriment on Friday night, May 24th when the young granddaughter of the house, Miss Evelyn Waugaman entertained the younger set at Eden Dale. Miss Evelyn was ably assisted in receiving by her cousin Miss Lydia Walkup of San Francisco, and the members of "The Young Ladies' Club."

The verandas and hallways were prettily decorated with lanterns and greens and in the parlors and music room the sweet odor of roses and honeysuckle predominated. A short and interesting literary and musical programme was well rendered, after which dancing was in order. A feature of amusement was Fortunes in a Nutshell, which were drawn and read aloud by each guest, before the assembled company. The young folks drew lots for partners and much merriment ensued in consequence, as they escorted their partners to supper.

At an early morning hour the gay throng departed for their respective homes, after heartily thanking Miss Evelyn and her mother, Mrs. Gearhart for their hospitality.

They Will Wed on Sunday

Sunday noon will witness the marriage of Miss Sarah Annette Thomas and Middleton P. Glaister, two of Sonoma's best known and most popular young people.

The wedding will be a quiet home affair with only the relatives of the contracting parties present. Rev. C. L. Peterson will tie the nuptial knot after partaking of a wedding breakfast the young couple will leave for a brief honeymoon to San Francisco and adjacent cities.

The ceremony will take place at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Thomas.

The future home of the happy young couple will be on the Ellis place southeast of town.

Mr. L. R. Caughell has sold his interest in the EXPOSITOR to James K. Mack of San Francisco. The transfer took place today almost at the hour of going to press. F. Mitcheltree, of the new firm of Mitcheltree and Mack, will collect all monies now due on this paper.

Glen Ellen Items

W. A. Zane, of Yolo, visited his parental home here last Wednesday.

Mrs. F. Case and son are visiting friends in Santa Rosa. Fred is keeping bachelors hall.

J. W. Gibson has been quite ill the past week, but has now improved and is about again.

W. J. Ping and family have leased one of Dr. O'Donnell's cottages and will reside here in future.

Prominent railroad officials were here last Thursday, making arrangements for their picnic to be be held here next month.

Rev. J. B. Orr, a very talented speaker, who has had crowded meetings in the Congregational Church every week, will close his Evangelistic work Saturday evening.

Wm. H. Hieton Jr., formerly residing here and a young man of excellent attainments and high character, died at Berkeley last Monday. The family has the sympathy of their many friends in their sad bereavement.

W. J. Box Passes Away

W. J. Box, an old resident of this county, died at his home in Tulare county, May 26. Mr. Box leaves two children, a brother, S. P. Box of Trinity county, four sisters, Mrs. G. J. Guthrie of Tulare county, Mrs. F. M. Johnson, and Mrs. Charley White of Santa Rosa, and Mrs. Joel Zane of Glen Ellen, and many other friends and relatives and relatives to mourn his loss. He had been sick for several years and his death, though not wholly unexpected, was a great surprise to all. Mr. Box removed to Tulare county in 1872 and has resided there ever since, following the business of stock-raising.

Death of Former Sonoma Resident

Mrs. Wm. Goodman received a telegraphic dispatch on Wednesday bearing the information that grandma Thiesen, mother of Mrs. P. N. Stophen, had died at the latter's home in San Francisco on the evening of the 28th.

Mrs. Thiesen was for many years a resident of Shellville, and known to everyone in the valley. At the time of her death she was eighty-five years old.

A Runaway

A lively runaway made the vicinity of the Bank corner rather warm on Tuesday. A horse belonging to Jake Alleman, and attached to a light cart, ran away from the owner and after making a few wild circuits of the streets, dashed into the hitching post opposite Breitenbach's harness shop. The result was a badly wrecked cart and broken harness.

A Birthday Party

About fourteen little folks assembled last Saturday afternoon at the Hocker home to help Bernice celebrate her seventh birthday. Many pretty and useful tokens of friendship were received by the delighted little hostess. Games were played and after refreshments at 5 o'clock the young ladies and gentlemen took their departure for their several homes.

Old Soldier's Experience

M. M. Austin, a civil war veteran, of Winchester, Ind. writes, "My wife was sick for a long time in spite of good doctor's treatment, but was wholly cured by Dr. King's New Life Pills, worked wonders for her health." They always do. Try them. Only 25c at Dr. R. G. Shoults.

Degrees Conferred

J. Irving Penry, Master Workman of the Petaluma Lodge A. O. U. W., and J. T. Stone District Deputy of the same order, attended the local lodge meeting Tuesday evening and conferred the Master Workman degree on James Tate and Frank McGill.

Card of Thanks

To the kind neighbors and friends who so generously sympathised with and lent their kindly assistance to us in our recent bereavement of a good wife and mother, we hereby extend our most grateful thanks.

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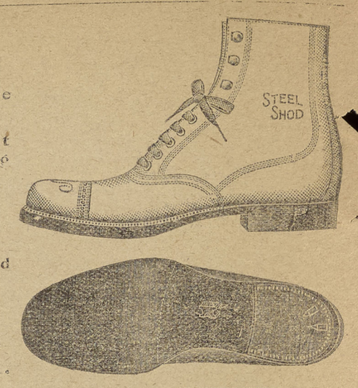

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Returned to Sonoma

Mr. S. Ringstrom, who for more than a year has been in the Hawaiian Islands, returned to Sonoma a few days ago and says he is now satisfied to remain in Sonoma. He expects to go into business here.

Death of Miss Josephine Keiser

Miss Josephine Keiser, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Keiser, died Wednesday evening after an illness of seven or eight days. The interment took place this morning in the Catholic Cemetery.

O'Donnell to Build a Hall

Dr. C. C. O'Donnell, the San Francisco medico, has commenced the erection of a hall on his ranch at Glen Ellen, which will be for the accomodation for the scores of campers who yearly visit his place during the summer. It will be used for dances and entertainments.

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Commencement Exercises

The commencement exercises of the Sonoma Valley Union High School will be held on Friday evening, June 7th, at Union Hall.

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Peculiarities of Crime.

One of the strangest peculiarities of human nature is its inclination to imitate the misdeeds of others. Crime is epidemical. A particularly dreadful murder, the details of which are set forth in all the newspapers, often has the effect of inducing similar crimes. One of the reasons, and probably the chief reason, why public executions were abolished in England, was that instead of acting as a deterrent the execution had the contrary effect of inciting to murder.

In 1885 a woman of Geneva, named Lombardi, killed her four children. She admitted that she had been reading of a woman who killed her husband, and the very circumstantial account had made her wish to imitate the crime, but as her husband was dead she killed the children. This is only one instance out of hundreds which have come to our notice.

The infectious nature of self murder receives a striking testimony in the following incident: Dr. Oppenheim of Hamburg had to examine the body of a man who had cut his throat and had died after some days of suffering. The medico told his assistant that death would have been immediate if the man had made the cut in a way which he illustrated, and he was startled two days later to learn that his assistant had attempted to commit suicide by lacerating himself in that very manner. The man admitted that he had never thought of suicide until the day of the examination and the doctor's remark.—London Globe.

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Town Talk

Jacob Adams spent Sunday with Sonoma friends.

Jerome Walden was up from the City on Sunday.

D. D. Davisson of Santa Rosa was in town yesterday.

Miss Agnes Dowdall is very ill at her home in El Verano.

J. G. Platt carries a full line of fruit of every description.

Paul Robin is spending the week with Sonoma relatives.

Miss Julie Granice is visiting at the Olney home in Fresno.

Cavanagh's for lumber. Washington street, East Petaluma.

Adam Adler spent Saturday and Sunday in the metropolis.

Clarence Cheney, of Petaluma, spent yesterday with his parents.

FOR SALE—A good phaeton. Price $40. Enquire at this office.

On Thursdays and Fridays you can get fresh fish from J. G. Platt.

Miss Matilda Cornelius returned on Monday evening from San Francisco.

Stylish millinery at Mrs. F English Warren's, 852 Main St, Petaluma.

Alfred Trevor, of Paso Robles, spent the past week with Sonoma friends.

The El Verano Grange will give a grand ball this evening at Union Hall.

M. V. Vanderhoof of Santa Rosa spent Tuesday with Sonoma friends.

The finest and freshest berries are those brought right to your door by J. G. Platt.

Frank Burris came down from Santa Rosa yesterday and returned home this morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Estes of San Francisco spent Sunday on their Sonoma property.

Wm. H. Korner has been critically ill during the past week, but is now getting better.

Mrs. Pauline McMullen spent Wednesday and Thursday visiting Healdsburg relatives.

R. M. Sims, deputy county attorney of San Francisco, spent Sunday with Sonoma friends.

Henry Gundlach was up from San Francisco on Sunday and spent the day on Rhine Farm.

When in Napa buy a bottle of Mertol Dandruff cure of Duprey Pharmacal Co. 20 Main St. Napa.

Harry Shaw came up from the City on Sunday after a few days visit with San Francisco friends.

Go to Cavanagh's, 1001 Washington street, East Petaluma, for lumber, house furnishings, etc.

FOR SALE—Incubators, brooders, wire fencing, buildings etc. Apply to George Miller, Glen Ellen.

The grammar school will close on Friday, a week from to-day. Examinations will commence on Monday.

S. B. Claypool, the Santa Rosa tailor, and Geo. W. Lewis of the same place, spent Tuesday in Sonoma.

Miss Julia Fuller, of Modesto, has been in Sonoma since Wednesday visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Van Every.

Mrs. G. H. Harris and her little son Spencer spent the greater portion of the week visiting relatives and friends in San Francisco. They went down on Tuesday and returned on this morning's train.

The teachers of the Sonoma Valley Union High School district met this afternoon and formed a teachers club, the object of which is mutual advancement in their school work.

Will Sherman is up from the City enjoying the climate of Sonoma and the comforts of home, while convalescing from a recent illness. He will return to San Francisco and resume his duties on the Evening Post early in the coming week.

Dr. G. D. Rich was on the programme to read a symposium before the State Eclectic Medical Society, which met in San Francisco on the 29th inst., but his attendance was prevented by the critical condition of one of his patients.

"GUINDALA"

By Rev. E. E. Thompson.

"A peculiar influence was creeping over Mary's mind evidently suggested and enforced by an unseen power which she could neither account for nor resist. Leave, or even take her eyes off the curtained and floral archway whence the entrance to the court was to be made, she could not. Although there was a continuous hum of merry voices on every side, Mary Magdalene heard them not, though there was a surging mass of rich and gaudily-dressed individuals, she saw no one. One vision only, was before her mind—Guindala, with her inimitable charm and loviness, pure and sweet as the blushing rose. One sound alone seemed clear and unmixed with an unintelligible medley—the sound of Nebias' voice in words of wooing. Sweet and musical, they spoke the earnest of a future full of happiness and exultant joy.

How long Magdalene sat thus entranced by the melody and playfulness of a voice that had once been able to soothe her drooping spirits and arouse anticipatory joys too high, too sacred to her to be compared with anything of earth—she could not tell. Her lover's reverie was spoiled on the very threshold of unseen Edens by discordant sounds as memories phonograph re-echo the burning words of hate and scorn uttered by the same oily tongue to which she had been listening as he cruelly thrust her aside for the one that was soon to become his bride! At the memory of those hope-destroying sentences, a tidal-wave of madness and jealous rage engulfed the soul of poor Mary. She had been faithful and devoted to Nebias, bordering upon slavery. She had done nothing to displease him; he simply had tired of her and cast her aside. She was compelled to set her teeth deep into her lip to keep from uttering a fierce cry of protest. The tantalizing words of the hateful Roman maidens in the court below, gave added momentum to the tempestuous blasts that were fast robbing her of her reason and self-control, and that were destined to drive her upon the fatal rocks where thousands before her day, had made total shipwreck of life, where wreckage whose value is above the price of rubies strews Life's threatening beach.

The galleries were packed almost to suffocation. Fate had decreed that a vacant sitting should be left on the stone bench where she and Nebias sat the night Guindala made her first public appearance. She quickly availed herself of it. In imagination she could feel his arm encircle her waist—hot and cold waves were alternately passing over her body, cold beads of perspiration moistened her forehead and started down her cheeks, the fires of revenge were burning more and more fiercely, fed by ten thousand demons! She drew forth her newly-sharpened dagger, felt its edge, clasped and loosened her hold about the hilt a countless number of times beneath the folds of her garment.

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Ah! Nebias, who have broken faith so many times in past, and who have heeded not, neither cared for the sorrow your unkept vows have caused—were you now as in former time seated beside Mary Magdalene, you would pay the penalty and feel the force of an injured woman's wrath! You are happy, what matter if all the world be sad? You are basking in the sunlight of joyous felicity, therefore heed not the clouds of sorrow which rest upon your rejected lover's heart! It is but another illustrated chapter in the common book of every-day life and experience; the sad and hopeless countenance, but an ocular demonstration of the fact that human life is not all sunshine, nor the paths of life strewn with roses! Press on—think not, neither look upon scenes that would mar your happiness! Satiate your lust by feeding upon virtue, trample wounded, bleeding hearts under your feet, shut out the cries of anguish you have caused by listening to the happy, innocent and unsuspecting prattle of the one who now sits upon your knee and holds your attention. Sow your wild oats, but remember for all these things God will bring you into judgment! The time is near, the day of retribution will speedily come, and you shall reap as you have sown!

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Without warning and unannounced, scores of happy-faced maidens each one dressed like a fairy queen and carrying a lighted torch in hand, coming from every quarter, burst out in splendid chorus, chanting the wedding-song. The whole assemblage involuntarily rose to their feet and remained standing. After much maneuvre in marches and counter-marches, that was most poetically and gracefully done, the maidens lined up in a half semi-circle on either side the arch-way, yet not fully completing the circle.

A furious and prolonged blast from many horns and trumpets announced the entrance of Elzola. Sitting upon a stool in his litter, he was borne by slaves to the center of the court where the litter was elevated upon pedestals. His whole retinue of slaves and servants then passed before him making a carefully-practised obeisance, and moving on. Close up on the passing of the last of Elzola's train, came Nebias, borne in like manner and placed beside him and following this, the slaves and hired servants of the latter, repeating the acts of those that preceded them. They were fewer in number, yet more richly apparelled and more marked in manners and devotions; probably from greater fear, Nebias had been able to inspire. The slaves did not leave the court but lined up behind the rows of altar-maids and folding their hands upon the breast stood almost motionless until a lively chorus was begun, in which they joined heartily. A number of sombre priests from the sacred altars of various deities, heavily cowled and swinging cencers ablaze with burning incense, entered, taking their places around the inner circle kneeled, and, singly and in unison, invoked the guidance and blessing of all the gods for the happy pair. A brief pause, a silence undisturbed by motion or sound, then the jingle of tambourine, the sweet, silver tone of merry bells and Guindala's beautiful litter, carried by her black slaves, preceded and followed by maids of honor, entered. Not a shadow had ever darkened Guindala's life. She was more beautiful than ever; her beauty in very truth worshipped by an assembled multitude. The maidens, folding their hands, bowed low, moving backward and forward, began singing her praises. All—priests, servants, and the slaves, joining in the chorus. There remained but one more act to conclude the marriage ceremony. The litters of the three principals were placed gently upon the marble pavement. Elzola took the arm of Nebias and led him to the side of his daughter. The two were to kneel for the hands and blessing of the priesthood. Guindala, blushing, happy, never dreaming that any living being would dare or even wish to do her harm, had already kneeled upon the soft fur rug before them.

What made Nebias hesitate? Why did he look up to the balcony just above him? Perhaps he remembered the time when he in company with one whose name was then linked with his own in gossip, and who shared his arenic glory, looked down upon passing events below! Perhaps an accusing conscience helped to direct the searching. He saw an upward movement of a trembling hand, and guessed its meaning! Quick as a flash he snatched the shield from the hand of his body guard and threw it forward over the yielding form of Guindala, but not an instant too soon to receive in it the quivering blade Magdalene had thrown with deadly aim, then ran screaming from the halls and grounds, followed by her slave before any save Nebias, had time to realize what had happened or to arrest her. When the safety of the princess was assured, Nebias led a band of soldiers in hot pursuit to the cove landing, only to see—out in the distance skimming over the water by aid of the dim moonlight—a boat under full canvas—and barely audible—hear the hysterical cries of a woman's voice, calling upon the waves to end her grief by swallowing the ship that was bearing her onward towards—"

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A man by the name of Joe Frazer, for the past few months an employe of Mr. Steiger, was arrested by Constable Ohm on Tuesday and charged with disturbing the peace. He plead guilty and was given his choice of paying $5.00 fine or spending fifteen days in jail. He chose the latter alternation and was taken to Santa Rosa.

Man and Horses Taken

Sheriff Grace reports the capture of U. G. Pitts near Eureka. Some weeks ago Pitts got three horses from W. T. Rose, who resides near Petaluma. He stated that the horses were to be used on his farm only a few miles away, and that they would be returned when desired. When Mr. Rose needed the animals he discovered that Pitts had decamped with them. Nothing was heard from the absconder until recently, when he was located near Eureka. Sheriff Grace took the warrant and went up after Pitts, whom he had no difficulty in locating. The offender had disposed of the horses, but they were easily found and will be returned to the owner.

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"My father and sister both died of Consumption," writes J. T. Weatherwax, of Wyandotte, Mich., "and I was saved from the same frightful fate only by Dr. King's New Discovery. An attack of Pneumonia left an obstinate cough and very severe lung trouble, which an excellent doctor could not help, but a few months' use of this wonderful medicine made me as well as ever and I gained much in weight." Infallible for Coughs, Colds and all Throat and Lung trouble. Trial bottles free. Guaranteed bottles 50c and $1.00 at Dr. R. G. Shoults.

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A Filipino in Town

First mate Hincke of the Transport Sheridan spent the early days of the week in Sonoma visiting his friend Adam Adler, and other acquaintances. Mr. Hincke had with him a little Filipino whose history is an eventful one for a youth of his age. During the campaign in the Philippines this youthful malay was mascot for a regiment of Uncle Sam's soldiers, and, aside from his supposed services in his capacity, rendered substantial aid to the troops by furnishing information concerning the strength and movements of the enemy. Mr. Hincke had the little fellow at the home of Mrs. Bates one evening this week and he proved to be quite entertaining with his native dances and quaint Filipino talk. He will be sent to New York and given a thorough education.

Shudders at His Past

"I recall now with horror," says Mail Carrier Burnett Mann, of Levanna, O., "my three years of suffering from Kidney trouble I was hardly ever free from dull aches or acute pains in my back. To stoop or lift mail sacks made me groan. I felt tired, worn out, about ready to give up, when I began to use Electric Bitters, but six bottles completely cured me and made me feel like a new man." They're unrivaled to regulate Stomach, Liver, Kidneys and Bowels. Perfect satisfaction guaranteed by Dr. R. G. Shoults. Only 50 cents.

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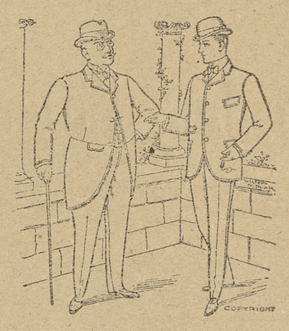

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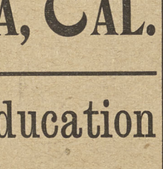

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WEEK DAYS.	SUNDAYS.	DESTINATION.	SUNDAYS.	WEEK DAYS.
16:18 A. M. 3:37 P. M.	6:40 A. M. 3:37 P. M.	San Francisco, San Rafael and intermediates.	10:25 A. M. 7:15 P. M.	10:03 A. M. 7:20 P. M.
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"The power of imagination," said a New York druggist, "is past comprehension. Not long since a domestic in the employ of a prominent family came into the store in great haste with a prescription which called for two grains of morphine in two ounces of aqua pura—that is, distilled water—the accompanying direction reading, 'A teaspoonful every hour until the pain is allayed.' The patient for whom it was intended was the head of the family, who was suffering from a severe attack of nervous neuralgia.

"Now, it so happened that the family physician who had written the prescription was behind the counter when the messenger arrived, having dropped in, as was his wont, on the way to his office. While I was putting up the prescription we chatted and laughed and joked and passed the time of day as only professional men are capable of doing. I filled the bottle, corked it carefully and labeled it properly, and when the retreating form of the domestic had disappeared out of the store door returned to my companionable physician visitor. As I did so I saw to my amazement the two grains of morphine reposing upon the prescription scales.

"'Doctor,' I ejaculated, 'I've given that girl nothing but distilled water. The morphine is here; look at it. What shall I do?'

"'Do?' he replied, with admirable sang froid. 'Do? Why, nothing at all. I'll wager you that the aqua pura will work as well without the opiate as with it.'

"'Agreed,' said I. And do you know," concluded the pharmacist, "the doctor was right, and the patient with the nervous neuralgia—an exceptionally intelligent and college bred man—was sleeping as peacefully as a babe after the second dose of the 'mixture.' Faith is everything where medicine is concerned."—Exchange.

The Fata Morgana.

The fata morgana is a singular aerial phenomenon akin to the mirage. It is seen in many parts of the world, but most frequently and in greatest perfection at the strait of Messina, between Sicily and Italy. So many conditions must coincide, however, that even there it is of comparatively rare occurrence. To allow of its production the sun must be at an angle of 45 degrees with the water, both sky and sea must be calm, and the tidal current sufficiently strong to cause the water in the center to rise higher than on the edges of the strait. When these conditions are fully met, the observer on the heights of Calabria, looking toward Messina, will behold a series of rapidly changing pictures, sometimes of most exquisite beauty.

Castles, colonnades, successions of beautiful arches, palaces, cities, with houses and streets and church domes, mountains, forests, grottoes, will appear and vanish, to be succeeded perhaps by fleets of ships, sometimes placidly sailing over the deep, sometimes inverted, while a halo like a rainbow surrounds every image. It is supposed that the images are due to the irregular refractive powers of the different layers of air above the sea, which magnify, repeat and distort the objects on the Sicilian shore beyond, but to the Italians these singular appearances are the castles of the Princess Morgana, and the view of them is supposed to bring good fortune to the beholder.

Skeleton In the Closet.

The original of the singular saying, "A skeleton in the closet," which is found in almost every language in Europe, is found in one of those curious collections of stories which the monks of the middle ages were fond of making both for their own amusement and for the instruction of youth. In one of these collections, compiled by an unknown hand about the middle of the tenth century, there is a story of a wealthy lady who, having a secret grief, confided it to a friend who was apparently a perfectly happy woman. She was the wife of a nobleman who lived in his castle in the south of France. She and her husband were outwardly on the most loving terms. Not a care cloud seemed to cast a shadow on her path.

After hearing the story of her afflicted friend the noble lady took her by the hand and led her to a secret chamber adjoining her bedroom, there opened the door of a closet and exposed a skeleton. "Know, my friend," she said, "no one is happy. Every day I am forced by my husband to kiss this grinning death head, which is that of a gentleman who was my husband's rival and whom I would have married had not my parents willed otherwise."

His Bumps.

They were newly married and were calling upon one of the friends of the bride who had been particularly pleasant upon the occasion of their wedding. The bridegroom, apropos of nothing, began to talk about phrenology and told how his wife had discovered two very prominent bumps on the back of his head. He was proud of them. So was she, and she passed him around that the host and hostess might feel the bumps and know of their existence. Then she explained:

"My book on phrenology says that they mean good memory and generosity."

It was evident that she was proud of the facts, and so was he. But the host, being of an inquiring turn of mind, wished to satisfy himself, so he got down a phrenological work from one of his library shelves and after much labor found the bumps on the chart. Turning to the notes, he read, seriously at first, then unsteadily. The bride became suspicious, but she was game and said:

"Read it out loud. Please do!" And the host read:

"These bumps are most frequently found on cats and monkeys."

Other topics consumed the remainder of the visit, which was brief.—New York Sun.

Relics of the Roman occupation in the shape of Roman tiles and earthenware have been discovered, as well as two skeletons, in the course of excavations at Dover, England. In ancient times this ground formed the estuary of the Dour river.

FEATHERED FREAKS.

BIRDS WITHOUT WINGS AND BIRDS WITHOUT SONG.

The Penguin Is a Bird That Walks and Swims, but Does Not Fly—A Bird That Can Run Faster Than the Swiftest Horse—The Tailor Bird.

Birds without wings are found in New Zealand and Australia. Kiwi is the name of one species. Beautiful mats are made of the feathers of the white variety, but it takes ten years and more to collect enough feathers to make even a small mat which would sell for about $150.

Birds without song belong to Hawaii. In Honolulu one sees a bird about the size of the robin, an independent sort of fellow, that walks about like a chicken, instead of hopping like a well trained bird of the United States, and it has no song.

A bird that walks and swims, but does not fly, is the penguin. No nests are made by penguins, but the one egg laid at a time by the mother is carried about under her absurd little wing or under her leg.

The largest of flight birds is the California vulture or condor, measuring from tip to tip 9½ to 10 feet and exceeding considerably in size the true condor of South America. The bird lays but one egg each season—large, oval, ashy green in color and deeply pitted, so distinctive in appearance that it cannot be confounded with any other.

The California condor is rapidly approaching extinction and museums all over the world are eager to secure living specimens. It is believed that there is only one in captivity.

Another large bird is the rhinoceros bird, which is about the size of a turkey. One recently shot on the island of Java had in its crop a rim from a small telescope and three brass buttons, evidently belonging to a British soldier's uniform.

A bird which is swifter than a horse is the road runner of the southwest. Its aliases are the ground cuckoo, the lizard bird and the snake killer, snakes being a favorite diet. In northern Mexico, western Texas and southern Colorado and California it is found. The bird measures about two feet from tip to tip and is a dull brown in color. Its two legs are only about ten inches long, but neither horses with their four legs nor hounds nor electric pacing machines are in it for swiftness when it comes to running.

Most curious are the sewing or tailor birds of India—little yellow things not much larger than one's thum. To escape falling a prey to snakes and monkeys the tailor bird picks up a dead leaf and flies up into a high tree, and with a fiber for a thread and its bill for a needle sews the leaf on to a green one hanging from the tree. The sides are sewed up, an opening being left at the top. That a nest is swinging in the tree no snake or monkey or even man would suspect.

Many a regiment cannot compare in perfection of movement with the flight of the curlews of Florida winging their way to their feeding grounds miles away, all in uniform lines in unbroken perfection. The curlews are dainty and charming birds to see, some pink, some white.

Birds in flight often lose their bearings, being blown aside from their course by the wind. In this case they are as badly off as a mariner without a compass in a strange sea on a starless night.

All very young birds, by a wise provision of nature, are entirely without fear until they are able to fly. The reason of the delayed development of fear is that, being unable to fly, the birds would struggle and fall from their nests at every noise and be killed. Suddenly, almost in a day, the birds develop the sense of fear, when their feathers are enough grown so that they can fly.

It is always a source of wonder to arctic explorers to find such quantities of singing birds within the arctic circle. They are abundant beyond belief. But the immense crop of cranberries, crowberries and cloudberries that ripen in the northern swamps accounts for the presence of the birds.

A stick of wood seven inches long and a quarter of an inch in diameter was once taken from a wren's nest. It is very singular that so small and delicate a bird should use such rough material with which to construct its nest. If an eagle should use material proportioned to its size, its nest would be made up of fence rails and small saw logs.

The extraordinary situations in which nests are found occasionally almost give one the impression that birds must be endowed with a sense of humor. For instance, a wren built its nest upon a scarecrow, a dead sparrow hawk, which a farmer had hung up to frighten away winged ravagers of his crop. In the pocket of an old jacket hanging in a barn a bird, also a wren, made its nest, which when discovered contained five eggs. It was a robin that raised a young family in a church pew and a robin that built its nest in the organ pipes of a church. Places of worship have always been favorite building places for birds.

Consideration.

"My wife is very considerate," said the newly married man. "She is always buying me neckties and colored shirts."

"And I suppose you are considerate and generous in your turn."

"Yes. I wouldn't hurt her feelings for the world. I wear 'em."—Washington Star.

The manuscripts of the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries are in many cases almost illegible on account of the fading of the ink. At that time the lampblack inks passed out of use and chemical inks became popular.

A Startler.

A gentleman whose hearing is defective is the owner of a dog that is the terror of the neighborhood in which he lives.

The other day he was accosted by a friend, who said:

"Good morning, Mr. H. Your wife made a very pleasant call on us last evening."

"I'm very sorry," came the startling reply. "I'll see that it don't occur again, for I'm going to chain her up in future."—London Telegraph.

SOME CURIOUS CHURCHES.

Congregations Which Meet In Inns, Windmills and Boats.

A public house is one of the last places one would expect to be used as a place of worship. The inhabitants of Twyford, a village near Winchester, would not consider this at all a novelty, because for several years past the Phœnix inn has been used Sunday for religious purposes. The room in which the religious services are held will comfortably hold about 200 people and opens at the back on to a pretty tea garden. The most remarkable feature of the services is that they are often conducted while the public house is open for business purposes, and the customers can join in the singing if they are so disposed.

There are two or three instances of public houses which have been converted into churches, and there are also two or three theaters which are now places of worship. The Fen district possesses a canalboat church. There are a large number of people who live some distance away from any church, and the canalboat church travels from place to place for the benefit of such folk. The boat will seat a congregation of about 100.

The old chapel of ease at Tunbridge Wells has a unique situation. It stands in two counties and three parishes. When the clergyman leaves the vestry, he comes out of the parish of Frant of Sussex. If he is going to officiate at the altar, he walks into the parish of Tunbridge, in Kent. If, on the other hand, he is going to preach the sermon, he walks from the parish of Frant to the parish of Speldhurst on his way to the pulpit.

The chapel at Milton Bryant is situated in the village pond. The reason for the selection of this strange site was because no landowner would would grant any other position.

The "windmill" church near Reigato is familiar to London cyclists. Not so familiar is the underground church at Brighton. Owing to some "ancient lights" difficulty the authorities could not "build up," and as the site was a good one they decided to "build down."—London Mail.

USING HIS WITS.

Showing How People May Be Guided by Inference.

"You see," said the man with the bulging forehead and prominent nose, "if people would only be guided more by inference it would save lots of useless trouble."

"I don't understand you," said the man who had been tickling a pimple on his chin.

"Why, for instance, I passed a frozen pond one winter day. On the ice I saw a pair of skates, a boy's cap and a mitten. Out in the middle of the pond the ice was broken. Did I jump to the conclusion that a boy had been drowned and raise a great hullabaloo about it?"

"Of course you did, or else you ought to be prosecuted. You don't mean to say you passed on and said nothing?"

"I do," calmly replied the man of the forehead. "I inferred instead of jumping to a false conclusion."

"But you had to infer that the boy was under the ice," protested the other.

"Not a bit of it. If the boy had fallen in, the skates and cap and mittens would have gone with him. I simply inferred that he had seen a rabbit and given chase. I was right too. In the course of five minutes I met him on the road."

"Oh, you did! And maybe you inferred something else."

"Of course I did. As he had the nosebleed, I inferred that he had fallen over a log in the chase and got left, and he admitted that such was the case."

"Then you ought to have wound up the performance by inferring whether it was a male or female rabbit."

"It wasn't necessary, my captious friend. As I passed on I found the rabbit, dead from overexertion, and it was a male."—Washington Post.

Historical Divisions of Time.

For convenience time is, by historians, usually divided into three great eras—ancient, mediæval (or middle) and modern. The ancient period is considered to extend from the earliest times down to the fall of the Roman empire in the west in A. D. 476; the mediæval from that date to the discovery of America by Columbus in 1492 and the modern from that time to the present. Some historians prefer to put the end of the mediæval period at the capture of Constantinople by the Turks, about 40 years earlier than the Columbus event. The dark ages are often held to be coeval with the mediæval era, but some authorities think that the term should be applied only to the part of the era extending from the downfall of the empire of Charlemagne, in the ninth century, onward.

An Absurd Superstition.

A popular belief is that the sound produced by a little insect known as a "death watch" portends the death of some relative or friend. That the noise made by this little creature resembles the ticking of a watch is undisputed, but that it in anywise foretells the dissolution of a human being is absurd. Observation has established the fact that these little insects infest decaying timber and posts, and that the peculiar noise is caused by them in gnawing and boring through the rotten wood fibers in quest of food.

Then and Now.

In these days of cheap literature, when the masterpieces of English writers can be had for 6d., it is interesting to note that just 1,000 years ago the Countess of Anjou gave 200 sheep, one load of wheat, one load of rye and one load of millet for a volume of sermons written by a German monk.—London Standard.

The German postmaster general has forbidden the delivery of postcards made in the shape of beer glasses, pots, triangles and also those with holes for the nose and eyes like masks. Nevertheless they are being largely sold in the streets.

Imitations of American products are being sold in Sweden in large quantities. One wholesale hardware dealer has disposed of a big lot of forks which are represented as of American manufacture and which are sold at a very low price.